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Reply to Office action of December 26, 2006

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/757,287
Applicant : Stephen Oser et al.
Filed : January 14, 2004
Title : END CLOSURE ASSEMBLY FOR A PRESSURE
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AMENDMENT "B" AFTER FINAL UNDER RULE 116

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the final Office action dated December 26, 2006. The three-month period for responding to the Office action expires on March 25, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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